

EB-2012-0145

IN THE MATTER OF the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B);

AND IN THE MATTER OF an application by Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd. for an order approving just and reasonable rates and other charges for electricity distribution to be effective May 1, 2013.

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2 December 13, 2012

Lakeland Power Distribution Ltd. ("LPDL") filed an application (the "Application") with the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") on October 3, 2012 under section 78 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, 1998, S.O. 1998, c. 15, (Schedule B), seeking approval for changes to the rates that LPDL charges for electricity distribution, to be effective May 1, 2013.

The Board issued a Notice of Application and Hearing dated October 16, 2012. In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, issued on November 7, 2012, the Board made provision for written interrogatories. The Energy Probe Research Foundation ("Energy Probe"), School Energy Coalition ("SEC"), Vulnerable Energy Consumers Coalition ("VECC") and Board staff filed interrogatories. LPDL filed responses to the interrogatories on December 4, 2012.

Upon review of the responses to the written interrogatories, the Board has decided to make provision for written supplemental interrogatories followed by a settlement conference. In the event that a complete settlement is not achieved, the Board will consider at that time whether the outstanding issues will need to be further examined and whether this examination will need to be conducted by way of a written or oral hearing.

The Board considers it necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The Board may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

THE BOARD ORDERS THAT:

- 1. Board staff and intervenors shall request any material from LPDL that is in addition to LPDL's response to interrogatories filed on December 4, 2012, and that is relevant to the hearing, by written supplemental interrogatories filed with the Board and served to LPDL on or before **December 21, 2012**.
- 2. LPDL shall file with the Board complete written responses to the interrogatories and serve them on Intervenors on or before **January 11**, **2013**.
- 3. A Settlement Conference will be convened on January 21, 2013, starting at 9:30 a.m. with the objective of reaching a settlement among the parties on the issues. The Settlement Conference will be held in the Board's hearing room at 2300 Yonge Street, 25th Floor, Toronto, and may continue on January 22, 2013, if needed.
- 4. Any Settlement Proposal arising from the Settlement Conference shall be filed with the Board no later than **February 11, 2013.**

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2012-0145, be made through the Board's web portal at https://www.pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/, and consist of two paper copies and one electronic copy in searchable / unrestricted PDF format. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/OEB/Industry. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a CD in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Silvan Cheung at Silvan.Cheung@ontarioenergyboard.ca and Board Counsel, Ljuba Djurdjevic at Ljuba. Djurdjevic@ontarioenergyboard.ca.

ADDRESS

Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4 Attention: Board Secretary

E-mail: boardsec@ontarioenergyboard.ca

Tel: 1-888-632-6273 (Toll free)

Fax: 416-440-7656

DATED at Toronto, December 13, 2012

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary